



Meeting Minutes
September 11th, 2025
3:17 PM
Willard City Council Chambers

Attending: Bryson Hamons, Lori Huff, Diana Speller, Tiffany Nuhfer, Courtney Carnahan, Jack Kousma, Jacob McKenzie, James Pomerich
Absent: Excused, Joe Daniel, Krysten Byrne

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Board members were provided minutes prior to the meeting

- Minutes approved
- 1st by Courtney Carnahan
- 2nd by James Pomerich
- All approved

Financial Report

- Financial report provided by Lori Huff
- Motion to approved, 1st by Diana Speller
- 2nd by Courtney Carnahan
- All approved

Updates (Old Business)

Veteran Memorial

- Resolution and letter of support sent to Director of Ohio Public Works for park site.
- Raffle golf cart at football game. Tickets available if you would like to sell Cost of golf cart will be paid back to CIC account and additional money raised will go towards the Veteran Fund. \$500 and \$100 prizes and Grand Prize is golf cart
- Received conceptual draft and layout shared with WCIC Board
- Rough design is being launched at Military Apprec. Night 9/12/25 with 30 day public feedback

Fratta Cross Country Shelter

- **School is contributing \$25,000 towards the cost**
- **Willard City fund is contributing \$10,000**

Gateway Sign

- Lighting and landscape work next week
- Other signs towards the end of the year with similar brick with plans at Townline 12, New subdivision roads, Main Street

New Construction

- Contractor Design working on the Gahr Farm for a housing development
- 225 Central Avenue is under construction, duplex being built
- 121 Central Avenue
- 25 and 27 Wedgewood Condos

Upcoming Events

- October 18 & 19th Goods in the Woods
- November 21 – Christmas parade and tree lighting
- December 5 through 28 Christmas Festival of Lights

New Business

- Motion to renew Quickbooks at \$80.00 (annual fee)
- Motion to approved, 1st by James Pomerich
- 2nd by Tiffany Nuhfer
- All approved

- Motion request by Lori Huff to approve to accept state's model for public records policy
- Motion to approved, 1st by Diana Speller
- 2nd by Tiffany Nuhfer
- All approved

Downtown Buildings and Semiquincentennial

- Downtown is in great need of revitalization
- Auction House discussed
- Mennonite Planktown Valley ideas
- Rental hall or large event venue/space idea
- Clinton Castle roof is caved in
- Jumps windows are dilapidated, 'Goods in the Woods' sign is covering its damage
- Ideas to introduce "Farm to Fork" agricultural event to downtown
- Diana has experience in downtown revitalization processes and will provide a 5 phase outline

New Housing

- Contractor Design working on Gahr Farm development (draft of preliminary layout)
- Working with HCGP to learn more about Ohio's \$100 million for rural infrastructure for housing
- The CIC could possibly help as an agent for the city to sell these lots

Park Improvements

- Fratta Cross Country Shelter (24' x 48' included is storage of 24' x 16')
- School is contributing \$25K towards the cost (paying directly to contractor)
- Donation of \$10K from United Fund to accept
- New benches ordered
- Kiddie Land turf is being installed and fence is also being replaced
- Two additional pickleball courts and pedestrian bridge added
- Account set up for new sewer and water lines addresses if grant doesn't cover cost

Upcoming Events

9/11 Silent Walk 8pm

Oct. 18 & 19, Goods in the Woods

November 21 – Christmas parade and lighting

Festival of Lights – December 5 - 28

Motion to adjourn 4:21pm

1st Motion, Bryson Hamons

2nd Motion, James Pomerich

All approved

Respectfully submitted,

Diana S. Speller

Willard Community Improvement Corporation Secretary